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General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Realization of the Millennium Development Goals and Other Internationally Agreed Development Goals for Persons with Disabilities[1] [webcast]

09:00 — 3rd plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall (NLB)

Social development: Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities: draft resolution (A/68/L.1) [item 27 (b)]

[1] Information on seating arrangements and special requirements relating to accessibility needs for delegations are contained in the letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 September 2013. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the indicative list of speakers for the interactive round table discussions are kindly requested to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; room S-3082; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Interventions in the interactive round table discussions should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. Please *click here* to view the website of the meeting.

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Round table 1

10:00 General Assembly Hall (NLB)

International and regional cooperation and partnerships for disability inclusive development

Co-Chairs: His Excellency Arsenio Balisacan, Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning of the Phillipines

His Excellency José Manuel García Margallo, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain

Round table 2

15:00 General Assembly Hall (NLB)

The post-2015 development agenda and inclusive development for persons with disabilities

Co-Chairs: Her Excellency Heidi Hautala, Minister of International Development of Finland

His Excellency Khalil Zaouia, Minister of Social Affairs of Tunisia

17:30 4th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall (NLB)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (CB)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (CB)

1. After-service health insurance
2. Flexible workplace

Special ceremony

There will be a special ceremony to unveil the winning design for the Permanent Memorial to Honour the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, to be erected at the United Nations Headquarters, on *Monday, 23 September 2013,* from 16:00 to 16:30, in the East Lounge (CB). The President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the Director-General of United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and the Chair of the Permanent Memorial Committee will deliver remarks. Several Heads of State and Government are expected to attend. All members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend the ceremony and are expected to gather at the site *10 minutes* prior to the event.

General Assembly
Sixty-eighth session

General debate
(24–27 September and 30 September–1 October 2013)

The provisional list of speakers No. 3 for the general debate of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-3082). The list of speakers has also been sent by e-mail and facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum.

Delegations may wish to inform their capital on this procedure.

Member States are advised that any changes to the level of representation for the general debate of the sixty-eighth session should be communicated to the General Assembly Affairs Branch, *as soon as possible* (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, Secretariat Building, 30th Floor (room S-3082; or e-mail poliakova@un.org)).

Other meetings

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Monday, 23 September 2013

Arab Group (Arab–African ministerial level)

10:00 to 11:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Arab Group (ministerial meeting)

16:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Group of 77 (Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3 (CB)

OIC Contact Group on Somalia (at the ministerial level)

15:00 to 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

OIC Contact Group on Sierra Leone (at the ministerial level)

16:30 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Other activities

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Monday, 23 September 2013

UNITAR presentation on "The Necessary Truth – Memory, Healing and Justice" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) New York Office, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Italy and Libya)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in *Conference Room 7 (NLB)*. [webcast]

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Panel discussion on "A secure and free Internet" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Estonia)

From 13:00 to 14:45, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Pille Kesler, Permanent Mission of Estonia (e-mail pille.kesler@mfa.ee; tel. 1 (917) 379-3213). For the programme, please *click here*.]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Monday, 23 September 2013

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

[For the complete list of press conferences, scheduled for *Monday, 24 September*, please visit www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.]

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 24 September 2013

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

09:00 — 5th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall (NLB)

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/68/1) [item 111]
2. Opening of the general debate [item 8]
3. Address by Her Excellency Dilma Roussef, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
4. Address by His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America
5. Address by His Excellency Abdullah Gül, President of the Republic of Turkey
6. Address by His Excellency Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
7. Address by His Excellency Sebastián Piñera Echeñique, President of the Republic of Chile
8. Address by His Excellency Rossen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria
9. Address by His Excellency Armando Emílio Guebuza, President of the Republic of Mozambique
10. Address by His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic
11. Address by His Majesty King Abdullah II Bin Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
12. Address by His Excellency Ivan Gašparovič, President of the Slovak Republic
13. Address by His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of the Republic of Colombia
14. Address by His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar
15. Address by His Serene Highness Prince Albert II, Principality of Monaco
16. Address by His Excellency Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa
17. Address by His Excellency Viktor Yanukovych, President of Ukraine
18. Address by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

15:00 — 6th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall (NLB)

1. Address by Her Excellency Laura Chinchilla Miranda, President of the Republic of Costa Rica
2. Address by His Excellency Heinz Fischer, Federal President of the Republic of Austria
3. Address by His Excellency Boni Yayi, President of the Republic of Benin
4. Address by His Excellency Horacio Manuel Cartes Jara, President of the Republic of Paraguay

5. Address by His Excellency Andris Bērziņš, President of the Republic of Latvia
6. Address by Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia
7. Address by His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
8. Address by His Excellency Ali Bongo Ondimba, President of the Gabonese Republic
9. Address by His Excellency Željko Komšić, Chairman of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina
10. Address by His Excellency Michel Sleiman, President of the Lebanese Republic
11. Address by His Excellency Ueli Maurer, President of the Swiss Confederation
12. Address by His Excellency José Mujica, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
13. Address by His Excellency Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
14. Address by Her Excellency Cristina Fernández, President of the Argentine Republic
15. Address by Her Excellency Joyce Hilda Mtila Banda, President of the Republic of Malawi
16. Address by His Excellency Michael Chilufya Sata, President of the Republic of Zambia
17. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Address by His Excellency Fredrik Reinfeldt, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Sweden

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High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the President of the General Assembly[1]
First (inaugural) meeting

Opening

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Leaders Dialogue: High-level Political Forum – From Vision to Action

15:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Leaders Dialogue: Global partnerships for development to create jobs and improve sustainable lifestyles

17:15 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Key messages on sustainability issues

18:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Leaders Dialogue: Mapping the way forward for eradicating poverty and achieving sustainable development

19:10 Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1]The programme of the (inaugural) meeting of the High-level Political Forum is contained in the letter by the President of the General Assembly dated 19 September 2013. For the updated programme, please *click here*.

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In accordance with resolution 65/1, the Special Event in 2013 to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals will be held on Wednesday, 25 September. In accordance with resolution 67/39, the High-level Meeting on Nuclear Disarmament will be held on Thursday, 26 September. In accordance with resolution 67/219, the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development will be held on Thursday, 3, and Friday, 4 October.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/300, the sixth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on Monday, 7, and Tuesday, 8 October 2013.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 13 February 2013 in document A/68/50*. The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 15 June 2013 in document A/68/100. The provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 19 July 2013 in document A/68/150.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the high-level meetings and the general debate is contained in document A/INF/68/4/Rev/1.

The draft programme of the work of the plenary for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/922, Section II.

The book of resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly during its sixty-seventh session from 18 September to 24 December 2012 was issued on 11 July and 5 September 2013 and in documents A/67/49 (Vol. I) and A/67/49 (Vol. II).

Seating protocol for the sixty-eighth session

On Friday, 14 June 2013, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Croatia to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-eighth session. Consequently, the delegation of Croatia will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Special event in 2013 to follow-up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals (25 September 2013)

The special event, organized by the President of the General Assembly, is held in accordance with Assembly resolution 65/1 of 22 September 2010. The organizational arrangements are described in the letter by the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 July 2013, sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For the updated programme of the Special event, please *click here*.

Four interactive round table discussions will be held as follows: Round table 1, from 10:30 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber; round table 2, from 10:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB); round table 3, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber; and round table 4, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

For further information on the round table discussions, kindly contact the respective secretaries as follows:

Round table 1: Ms. Emer Herity (herity@un.org)

Round table 2: Ms. Christa Giles (giles@un.org)

Round table 3: Mr. Otto Gustafik (gustafik@un.org)

Round table 4: Ms. Radhika Ochalik (ochalik@un.org)

High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on Nuclear Disarmament (26 September 2013)

Pursuant to its resolution 67/39, the General Assembly will hold a High-level Meeting on Nuclear Disarmament on Thursday, 26 September 2013. Information on the modalities of the meeting are included in the letter, dated 9 July 2013, sent by the President of the General Assembly, and on the website of the meeting.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for the high-level substantive segments are kindly requested to contact the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, *in writing*, by e-mail (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org) and Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org)); or by fax (1 (212) 963-5305), indicating the name and level of the participant, and the preferred substantive segment (morning or afternoon). The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis. Statements in the high-level substantive segment should not exceed ***three minutes*** when speaking in a national capacity, and ***five minutes*** when speaking on behalf of a group.

High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (3–4 October 2013)

The organizational arrangements are described in General Assembly resolution 67/219 of 21 December 2012. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 June, 17 July and 19 July 2013, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The list of speakers is now open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Thursday, 3, and Friday, 4 October 2013, from 9:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). Delegations wishing to inscribe are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Statements in the formal plenary meetings should not exceed ***four minutes***.

The four consecutive round table discussions will be held from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, on Thursday, 3 October 2013, and from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 17:30, on Friday, 4 October. Members States are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org) in which round table discussion they wish to intervene. Interventions in the interactive round table discussions should not exceed ***four minutes***.

Further information on the High-level Dialogue may be obtained in the note by the Secretary-General on the "Organization of the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development" (A/68/162).

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development (7-8 October 2013)

The organizational arrangements are described in General Assembly resolution 67/300 of 16 September 2013. Letters from the President of the General Assembly will be sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The list of speakers will open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Monday, 7 October, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, and on Tuesday, 8 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). Delegations wishing to inscribe are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Each oral statement should not exceed *five minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *seven minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

The three round table discussions will be held from 15:00 to 18:00, on Monday, 7 October 2013 (round table 1), and from 10:00 to 13:00, on Tuesday, 8 October (round tables 2 and 3). Member States are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org) in which round table discussion they wish to intervene. Interventions in the interactive round table discussions should not exceed *three minutes* each. An informal interactive dialogue will be held on Tuesday, 8 October, from 15:00 to 17:45. Each intervention in the interactive dialogue should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

The list of non-State participants in the round tables and the informal interactive dialogue will be established on a first-come, first-served basis. Representatives of these non-state entities wishing to participate in these meetings should inscribe with the Financing for Development Office (e-mail platz@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3664; room DC2-2156; fax 1 (212) 963-0443).

Further information on the High-level Dialogue may be obtained from the meeting website.

General Assembly

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Informal consultations on agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be held from Monday, 30 September to Friday, 4 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Friday, 4 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB), to consider its provisional programme of work and timetable (to be issued as document A/C.1/68/CRP.1). A technical briefing by the Secretariat for delegates of the First Committee will be held in Conference Room 3 (CB), immediately following the adjournment of the organizational meeting.

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 7, to Wednesday, 16 October 2013. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room S-3058).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room S-3058; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; room S-3057).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 3 October 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/67/432/Rev.1. The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 7 October, at 15:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Requests of petitioners to address the Committee under item 60 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), should be sent to the Chair of the Committee (c/o e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; or fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *by close of business on Friday, 27 September 2013*.

Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers at https://4thcommittee.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user

names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org, indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Wednesday, 2 October 2013, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), to consider its proposed organization of work (to be issued as document A/C.2/68/L.1) and to consider the status of documentation for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly (to be issued as document A/C.2/68/L.1/Add.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the sixty-eighth session of the Assembly on Wednesday, 9 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

For information and documentation relating to the work of the Second Committee please *click here*.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; room S-1275; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

QuickPlace

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 7 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1 (CB). The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee will open on Monday, 30 September 2013. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing,* Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible,* to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; room S-1291)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the sixty-eighth session, please *click here*.

For inquiries regarding registration for Third Committee QuickPlace, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 3 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB), to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, to be issued as document A/C.5/68/1, and the proposed programme of work for the main part of the sixty-eighth session (to be issued). The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/68/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible,* the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 7 October 2013, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work for the sixty-eighth session is available on the website of the Sixth Committee (http://www.un.org/ga/sixth/68/68_session.shtml).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378); fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that in the first week, the Committee will deal with item 110 Measures to eliminate international terrorism, item 85 (The rule of law at the national and international levels), and item 84 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Patcharee Kosalvitr (e-mail kosalvitr@un.org, room DC2-0569, fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

In order to obtain the password to access the e-room of the Sixth Committee, delegations are kindly requested to contact Ms. Florian Cabuyao (e-mail cabuyao@un.org).

For the purposes of the establishment of the e-mail contact list of the representatives of the Sixth Committee, you may send an e-mail with the subject "Sixth Committee contact list" to the following e-mail address: 6thcommittee@un.org. Please be advised that the contact list will be made available to all representatives on that list.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law
Forty-eighth session

The forty-eighth session of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law will hold a closed meeting on Tuesday, 8 October 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

The membership of the Committee is as follows: Argentina, Canada, Chile, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sudan, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
High-level Meeeting

The Peacebuilding Commission will hold its High-level Meeting on Women's economic empowerment for peacebuilding on Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00 in Conference Room 1 (CB). All members of the Peacebuilding Commission configurations are invited to attend. Special event passes will be required to enter Conference Room 1 (CB). Invited members are kindly required to collect their respective passes, allocated according to predetermined arrangements, on *Monday, 23 September 2013,* from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, at the Office of the Secretary of the Peacebuilding Commission (c/o Mr. Martin Vrastiak, room S-3062). For further information on the high-level event, please contact Mr. Paolo Fontana, Peacebuilding Support Office (e-mail fontana@un.org).

Delegations are kindly invited to strictly limit their statements to no more than *three minutes*.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/150. The meetings under this header are closed.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects" (under agenda item 103 of the provisional agenda) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Friday, 4 October 2013 from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A (CB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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OIC Contact Group on the Rohingya Muslim Minority (at the ministerial level)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the ministerial level)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, from 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Committee on Mali (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC (annual coordination meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs) (at the ministerial level)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Community of Democracies: United Nations Democracy Caucus (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Community of Democracies: Tenth meeting of the Governing Council (High-level segment)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (meeting of National Coordinators)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00 in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00 in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Commonwealth: Twelfth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Group of 77 (Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

United Nations Alliance of Civilizations Group of Friends (ministerial level)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

Eastern European Group (at the expert level) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 September 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (Twelfth Annual Ministerial Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Special event on "Ending Sexual Violence in Conflict" (with the Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of United Kingdom and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, from 14:30 to 17:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sally Jobbins, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (e-mail sally.jobbins@fco.gov.uk; tel. 1 (212) 745-9240).]

Panel discussion on "Building bridges, sharing experiences and bridging gaps in Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Burundi)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nelly Gicho, Permanent Mission of Burundi (e-mail ngicho@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 322-5837).]

High-level event on "Human rights, environment and transnational corporations" (with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador)

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, at 18:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Raquel Jara, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.int).]

Launch of the *Resource Guide on Nuclear Disarmament for Religious Leaders and Communities* (by the President of the Republic of Costa Rica) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica, in collaboration with Religions for Peace)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. María Cerro, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mariaccerro@gmail.com); and Ms. Deepika Singh, Religions for Peace (e-mail dsingh@religionsforpeace.org).]

Special event on "Delivering on the global education promise" (on the occasion of the one-year anniversary of the Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (GEFI)) (co-organized by the Global Education First Initiative's Secretariat and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, UNESCO (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org).]

High-level panel discussion on "Vienna+20: Human rights achievements, shortcomings and the way forward" (with the President of the Republic of Austria and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Austria and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights) (OHCHR)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nadia Kalb, Permanent Mission of Austria (e-mail nadia.kalb@bmeia.gv.at; tel. 1 (917) 542-8400, ext. 8434); or Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).]

Special event on "Too Young to Wed: Empowering Girls as Leaders of Tomorrow" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada, Ghana and the Netherlands, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), in collaboration with Plan International)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 15:30 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please send an e-mail to nyv-rsvp@minbuza.nl. For further information, please contact Ms. Vera Kuipers, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail vera.kuipers@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9711).]

High-level event on "Poaching and Illicit Wildlife Trafficking" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon and Germany)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jan Kantorczyk (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0448).]

High-level event on "The World Humanitarian Summit: Partnerships in the changing humanitarian landscape" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:15, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[A keynote address will be delivered by the Secretary-General. The briefing is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Margarette Pradel, OCHA (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217).]

Panel discussion on "Sustainable development goals: Nature at the heart of sustainable socio economic development" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of France and the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (ICUN))

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cyriaque Sendashonga, ICUN (e-mail cyriaque.sendashonga@iucn.org; tel. 1 (212) 346-1162).]

Thematic presentation on "Lessons learned from Hiroshima and Nagasaki: Working towards nuclear-weapons-free regions across the globe" (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador, in collaboration with Peace Boat)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Hugo Angulo, Permanent Mission of El Salvador (e-mails haangulo@rree.gob.sv or emilie@peaceboat-us.org; tel. 1 (212) 679-1616).]

Panel discussion on "Enhancing accountability for sexual violence in conflict" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Estonia)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Victoria Chisholm, Permanent Mission of Estonia (e-mail victoria.chisholm@mfa.ee; tel. 1 (646) 514-0086).]

High-level panel discussion on "A call to ratify the Kampala amendments on the crime of aggression" (with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Botswana, Estonia, Liechtenstein and Trinidad and Tobago) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jörn Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail joern.eiermann@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 227).]

Briefing on "Building the resilience and capacity of African countries, regional and sub-regional institutions to pre-empt, and respond to humanitarian crises and disasters" (by the African regional economic communities) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Tuesday, 1 October 2013, from 9:30 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[The Deputy Secretary-General will open the briefing. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Kimani, OSAA (courriel kimanim@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2838).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Non-Violence (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

Wednesday, 2 October 2013, from 11:15 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of India (e-mail eventspminy@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 490-9660, ext. 316).]

High-level discussion on the theme "Resilient Design for Sustainable Urbanization" (on the occasion of World Habitat Day) (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in collaboration with the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, the Center for Resilient Design at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter)

Friday, 4 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the UN-Habitat New York Office (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200; room DC2-0943); or *click here*.]

Briefing on the release of the International Telecommunication Union's annual report *Measuring the Information Society 2013* (organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU))

Monday, 7 October 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office (courriel london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2013/239 of 23 July 2013, the ninth session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 21, to Friday, 25 October 2013, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the Financing for Development Website (*click here*). For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Information on side events related to 2013 High-level Meetings

High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Realization of the Millennium Development Goals and Other Internationally Agreed Development Goals for Persons with Disabilities *(23 September 2013)*: *click here;*

Special event in 2013 to follow-up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals (25 September 2013): *click here*; and

High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (3 to 4 October 2013): *click here*.

Press kit for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is for the first time paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*), or via the PaperSmart portal (*click here*).

Live webcast of the general debate of the General Assembly (24–27 September and 30 September–1 October 2013)

The general debate of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live (in all United Nations official languages) and on-demand (English and Original language) over the Internet, from Tuesday, 24 September, to Tuesday, 1 October 2013. It will be accessible through the United Nations Web TV website at http://webtv.un.org.

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the General Assembly Website. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142, in English (unless otherwise indicated), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

General Assembly documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 26 September 2013;

Thursday, 10 October 2013;

Monday, 14 October 2013 *(French)*; and

Friday, 18 October 2013 *(Spanish)*.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 3 October 2013;

Monday, 7 October 2013 *(French)*; and

Friday, 11 October 2013 *(Spanish)*.

Introduction to subscription databases and resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 15 October 2013.

Introduction to United Nations budget documents (from 15:00 to 17:00)

Thursday, 17 October 2013;

Friday, 8 November 2013;

Friday, 22 November 2013; and

Wednesday, 4 December 2013.

Country and map resources for the United Nations community (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 22 October 2013.

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 24 October 2013.

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held on Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Credentials (ratifying States only)

Ratifying States are reminded that credentials should be issued for their representatives and the name of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (CTBT-Art.XIV.2013/1). The credentials should be submitted to Mr. Valere Mantels, Conference Secretariat, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) (e-mail mantels@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9254; room DN-3132).

Composition of delegations (signatory and other States, intergovernmental organizations)

Signatory and other States, as well as specialized agencies, related organizations and intergovernmental organizations attending the Conference, are requested to send the composition of their delegations to the Conference Secretariat, as soon as possible. To facilitate the preparation of the list of participants, electronic copies of the composition of delegations (Microsoft Word format only) should be sent by email to tan1@un.org.

List of speakers

The provisional list of speakers for the general exchange of views by ratifying States and signatories is open. For inquiries, please contact Mr. Hong Tan, Office for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room S-3135; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Access cards

With reference to paragraph 10 of document CTBT-Art.XIV/2013/INF.1, entitled "Information for participants at the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty", all delegates are reminded that security regulations in force require each and every participant in the Conference be registered and have a valid grounds pass plus a colour-coded access card. Packages including

access cards for Member States prepared by the Protocol and Liaison Services are ready for collection at Room S-0201.

Participants wishing to distribute copies of their statements are requested to provide 300 copies of their official statements for distribution in the conference room. The United Nations Secretariat does not provide photocopying services.

Further information on the Conference can be found on the CTBTO Preparatory Commission website (*click here*); or on the ODA website (*click here*).

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law:
Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL) is a unique multi-media resource and key instrument for promoting a greater understanding of the essential role of the United Nations in the field of international law. It consists of a permanent collection of scholarly lectures, historic archives of significant international law instruments and an online legal research library providing extensive international law research materials. Since its launch on 28 October 2008, the Audiovisual Library has been accessed by individuals and institutions in 192 Member States of the United Nations.

As the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law is funded by voluntary contributions, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contributions from Member States in order to continue these activities. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail avl@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5284).

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2014

Applications for the 2014 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, the Netherlands, from Monday, 30 June, to Friday, 8 August 2014, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 8 November 2013*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme website at www.un.org/law/ilfp; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

2014 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law

Applications for the 2014 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 8 November 2013*.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 7 April, to Friday, 2 May 2014. This course is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 5, to Friday, 30 May 2014. This course is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 3, to Friday, 28 November 2014. This course is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also Members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati).

The three Regional Courses will be conducted in English in 2014. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (e-mails: rcil-africa@un.org (for the RCIL-Africa); rcil-laac@un.org (for the RCIL-LAAC); rcil-asia@un.org (for the RCIL-Asia-Pacific)).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 20 September 2013

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

[archived video]

2nd plenary meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: first report of the General Committee (A/68/250) [item 7]

Section I

The General Assembly took note of paragraph 2 of the report.

Section II – Organization of the session

The General Assembly took note of the information contained in paragraph 20 of the report that the general debate would be held from Tuesday, 24 September to Tuesday, 1 October 2013, and approved the recommendation that the general debate continue on Saturday, 28 September.

The General Assembly decided to address all of the organizational matters concerning the General Assembly as a whole.

The General Assembly took note of all of the information that it was requested to take note of and approved all the recommendations of the General Committee contained in Section II of the report.

The General Assembly was informed of the recommendation contained in paragraph 18 of the report, that each delegation designates someone to be present in the meeting rooms at the scheduled time.

The General Assembly took note of paragraph 43 of the report, concerning the timely submission of draft proposals for the review of their programme budget implications.

Section III – Adoption of the agenda

The General Assembly took note of paragraphs 51 to 56.

Sub-item (j) of item 19 (The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 57 of the report, that sub-item (j) of item 19 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences).

Item 39 (Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 58 of the report, that item 39 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading B (Maintenance of international peace and security), on the understanding that there would be no consideration of this item by the General Assembly.

Item 54 (Comprehensive review of special political missions)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 of the report, that item 54 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading B (Maintenance of international peace and security).

Item 61 (Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 60 of the report, that consideration of item 61 be deferred to the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly and that the item be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

Sub-item (d) of item 132 (United Nations Capital Development Fund)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 61 of the report, that sub-item (d) of item 132 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 125 (Strengthening of the United Nations system)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 62 of the report, that item 125 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

The General Assembly further decided that the consideration of the review of civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict, under item 125, in plenary meeting shall take place only after the Fifth Committee, the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, and the Peacebuilding Commission have had an opportunity to consider the question.

Item 171 (Observer status for the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law in the General Assembly)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 63 of the report, that item 171 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 172 (Observer status for the International Anti-Corruption Academy in the General Assembly)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 64 of the report, that item 172 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 173 (Observer status for the Pan African Intergovernmental Agency for Water and Sanitation for Africa in the General Assembly)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 65 of the report, that item 173 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Item 174 (Observer status for the Global Green Growth Institute in the General Assembly)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 66 of the report, that item 174 be included in the agenda of the current session under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Pre-heading items

The General Assembly decided to include items 1 to 8 in the agenda.

Heading A

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences).

Heading B

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading B (Maintenance of international peace and security).

The representative of Armenia made a statement.

Heading C

The General Assembly decided to include the item listed under heading C (Development of Africa).

Heading D

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading D (Promotion of human rights).

Heading E

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading E (Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts).

Heading F

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading F (Promotion of justice and international law).

Heading G

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading G (Disarmament).

Heading H

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading H (Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations).

Heading I

The General Assembly decided to include all the items listed under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

Section IV – Allocation of items

The General Assembly took note of the information contained in paragraph 70 of the report concerning the granting of observer status.

Plenary meetings

The General Assembly took note of all the information that the General Committee wished to take note of and approved all of the recommendations of the General Committee, contained in paragraphs 72 (a) to (j), relating to a number of plenary items.

First Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 73.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 74.

Second Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 75.

Fifth Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendations contained in paragraphs 76 (a) to (c).

Sixth Committee

The General Assembly approved the recommendations contained in paragraphs 77 (a) to (d).

The General Assembly approved the allocation of the items proposed in paragraph 78 for consideration directly in plenary meeting, as well as for the First Committee, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), the Second Committee, the Third Committee, the Fifth Committee and the Sixth Committee.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/68/L.2) [items 14 and 118]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on programme budget implications of draft resolution A/68/L.2.

The representative of Switzerland made a statement in explanation of vote before adoption.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/68/L.2 (resolution 68/1).

The representative of Norway made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The representative of the European Union made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 14 and 118.

United Nations reform: measures and proposals: draft resolution (A/68/L.3) [item 125]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on programme budget implications of draft resolution A/68/L.3.

Statements in explanation of vote before adoption were made by the representatives of Indonesia (also on behalf of Iceland), Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Switzerland and Liechtenstein.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/68/L.3 (resolution 68/2).

Statements in explanation of vote after adoption were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation (also on behalf of Belarus, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, China, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Nicaragua, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela), Australia, New Zealand, the United States and El Salvador.

The representative of the European Union made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 125.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development
Twentieth session

[archived video]

2nd meeting

Opening of the meeting

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, as the temporary Chair, called the meeting to order and presided over the election of the Chair.

Election of the officers [item 1]

Election of Chair

The Commission elected, by acclamation, His Excellency Bektas Mukhamejanov, Vice-Minister of Environment Protection of Kazakhstan, to replace His Excellency Mazhit Turmagambetov (Kazakhstan), as Chair of the twentieth session.

Election of Vice-Chairs

The Commission elected Mr. Miloš Nikolić (Montenegro) to continue with the unexpired term of Ms. Bosiljka Vuković (Montenegro) and Mr. Paolo Soprano (Italy) as Vice-Chairs of the Commission for its twentieth session.

Designation of a Rapporteur

The Commission was informed that Mr. Paulo Soprano (Italy) would also serve as Rapporteur of the twentieth session of the Commission.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

The Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its twentieth session, as contained in document E/CN.17/2013/1, and approved the draft organization of work, which was circulated during the meeting and made available on the Commission's website as an informal paper in English only.

Opening statements

The Chair (Kazakhstan) made an introductory statement.

The Deputy Chef de Cabinet of the Office of the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, Mr. Noel Sinclair, delivered a statement on behalf of the President of the General Assembly, His Excellency John W. Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda).

A statement was made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

A statement was also made by the Representative of Major Groups, Mr. João Felipe Scarpellini.

Lessons learned from the Commission on Sustainable Development, and the way forward [item 3]

High-level dialogue

The Commission held high-level dialogue on "Lessons learned from the Commission on Sustainable Development, and the way forward".

The high-level dialogue was opened with a short commemorative video presentation of images on the history, accomplishments and the legacy of the Commission.

The Commission heard a videotaped statement by His Excellency Valli Moosa (South Africa), Chair of the eleventh session of the Commission.

The Commission also heard presentations by the following panellists: His Excellency Bedřich Moldan (Czech Republic), Chair of the ninth session of the Commission; Mr. Achim Steiner, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme; Nikhil Seth, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Mr. Braulio Dias, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity; and Ms. Barbara Adams, Representative of Major Groups.

Following the presentations by the panellists, statements were made by the representatives of Norway, Italy, Japan and Malaysia, as well as by the observers for Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Islamic Republic of Iran and Switzerland.

A statement was also made by the observer for the European Union.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following major groups: women; non-governmental organizations; business and industry; and children and youth.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Conclusion of the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development [item 4]

The Commission began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Commission was informed that in Council resolution 2013/19 of 24 July 2013, the Economic and Social Council requested the Commission to conclude its work at its twentieth session and last session on 20 September 2013 and further decided to abolish the Commission with effect from the conclusion of its twentieth session, and to transmit its final report to the Council on the same day.

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twentieth session [item 5]

The Commission began its consideration of the agenda item.

A statement was made by the Rapporteur.

The Commission then adopted the draft report of the Commission on its twentieth session, as contained in document E/CN.17/2013/L.1, and entrusted the Chair and the Bureau to finalize the details of the report in collaboration with the Secretariat, including the Chair's summary of the key points of the high-level dialogue, and to transmit the report at the end of the day to the Economic and Social Council.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 4 and 5.

Closure of the twentieth session

The Chair made concluding remarks and declared closed the twentieth session of the Commission.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Objection to the reservation made by the Lao People's Democratic Republic upon ratification: Finland (20 September 2013)

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Objection to the declaration made by Turkey upon ratification: Finland (20 September 2013)

2013 Treaty Event

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Eritrea
Mr. Amanuel Giorgio
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Asia-Pacific States:
China
His Excellency Liu Jieyi

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
His Excellency Vitaly Churkin

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Argentina
Her Excellency María Cristina Perceval

Western European and other States:
Italy
His Excellency Cesare Maria Ragaglini

Security Council

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A/68/383 Item 19 of the provisional agenda — Sustainable development — Letter dated 12 September 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Uzbekistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

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Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Fifty-fifth session

CEDAW/C/55/D/40/2012

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General Assembly
Sixty-eighth session

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1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/68/1) [item 111]
2. Opening of the general debate [item 8]
3. Address by Her Excellency Dilma Roussef, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
4. Address by His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America
5. Address by His Excellency Abdullah Gül, President of the Republic of Turkey
6. Address by His Excellency Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
7. Address by His Excellency Sebastián Piñera Echeñique, President of the Republic of Chile
8. Address by His Excellency Rossen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria
9. Address by His Excellency Armando Emílio Guebuza, President of the Republic of Mozambique
10. Address by His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic

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12. Address by His Excellency Ivan Gašparovič, President of the Slovak Republic
13. Address by His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of the Republic of Colombia
14. Address by His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar
15. Address by His Serene Highness Prince Albert II, Principality of Monaco
16. Address by His Excellency Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa
17. Address by His Excellency Viktor Yanukovych, President of Ukraine
18. Address by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

15:00 6th plenary meeting[1] [webcast] General Assembly Hall (NLB)

1. Address by Her Excellency Laura Chinchilla Miranda, President of the Republic of Costa Rica
2. Address by His Excellency Heinz Fischer, Federal President of the Republic of Austria
3. Address by His Excellency Horacio Manuel Cartes Jara, President of the Republic of Paraguay
4. Address by His Excellency Andris Bērziņš, President of the Republic of Latvia
5. Address by Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia
6. Address by His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
7. Address by His Excellency Ali Bongo Ondimba, President of the Gabonese Republic
8. Address by His Excellency Željko Komšić, Chairman of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina
9. Address by His Excellency Michel Sleiman, President of the Lebanese Republic
10. Address by His Excellency Ueli Maurer, President of the Swiss Confederation
11. Address by His Excellency José Mujica, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
12. Address by His Excellency Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
13. Address by Her Excellency Cristina Fernández, President of the Argentine Republic
14. Address by Her Excellency Joyce Hilda Mtila Banda, President of the Republic of Malawi
15. Address by His Excellency Michael Chilufya Sata, President of the Republic of Zambia
16. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Address by His Excellency Fredrik Reinfeldt, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Sweden

[1]The general debate will continue at 18:00, in the 7th plenary meeting.

High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the President of the General Assembly[1] [webcast]
First (inaugural) meeting

Opening
15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Leaders Dialogue: High-level Political Forum – From Vision to Action
15:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Leaders Dialogue: Global partnerships for development to create jobs and improve sustainable lifestyles
17:15 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Key messages on sustainability issues
18:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

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19:10 Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1]For the programme of the (inaugural) meeting of the High-level Political Forum, please *click here*.

Information on side events related to 2013 High-level Meetings

High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Realization of the Millennium Development Goals and Other Internationally Agreed Development Goals for Persons with Disabilities (23 September 2013): *click here;*

Special event in 2013 to follow-up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals (25 September 2013): *click here*; and

High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (3 to 4 October 2013): *click here.*

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General Assembly
Sixty-eighth session

General debate
(24–27 September and 30 September–1 October 2013)

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Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum.

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Tuesday, 24 September 2013

Community of Democracies: United Nations Democracy Caucus (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (CB)

OIC Contact Group on the Rohingya Muslim Minority (at the ministerial level)

15:00 to 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

OIC Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the ministerial level)

16:30 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Other activities

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Tuesday, 24 September 2013

Special event on "Ending Sexual Violence in Conflict" (with the Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of United Kingdom and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict)

From 14:30 to 17:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sally Jobbins, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (e-mail sally.jobbins@fco.gov.uk; tel. 1 (212) 745-9240).]

Panel discussion on "Building bridges, sharing experiences and bridging gaps in Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Burundi)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nelly Gicho, Permanent Mission of Burundi (e-mail ngicho@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 322-5837).]

High-level event on "Human rights, environment and transnational corporations" (with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador)

At 18:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). [webcast]

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Raquel Jara, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.int).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 24 September 2013

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, scheduled for *today*, 24 September, please visit www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 25 September 2013

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

09:00 — 8th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall (NLB)

1. Address by His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia
2. Address by His Excellency Ricardo Martinelli Berrocal, President of the Republic of Panama
3. Address by His Excellency Alassane Ouattara, President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire
4. Address by His Excellency Ollanta Humala Tasso, President of the Republic of Peru
5. Address by His Excellency Taur Matan Ruak, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste
6. Address by His Excellency Joseph Kabila Kabange, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
7. Address by His Excellency Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal
8. Address by His Excellency Andry Nirina Rajoelina, President of the Transition of the Republic of Madagascar
9. Address by His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda
10. Address by His Excellency Blaise Compaoré, President of Burkina Faso
11. Continuation of the general debate [8]

    Address by His Excellency Hailemariam Dessalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

    Address by His Excellency Winston Baldwin Spencer, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Antigua and Barbuda

    Address by His Excellency Commodore Josaia V. Bainimarama, Prime Minister and Commander of the Military Forces of the Republic of Fiji

    Address by the European Union

    Address by His Highness Sheikh Jaber Al Mubarak Al Hamad Al Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait

    Address by His Excellency Enrico Letta, Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy

15:00 — 9th plenary meeting[1] — General Assembly Hall (NLB)

1. Address by His Excellency Tomislav Nikolić, President of the Republic of Serbia
2. Address by His Excellency Faure Essozimna Gnassingbé, President of the Togolese Republic
3. Address by His Excellency Nicolás Maduro Moros, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

[1]The general debate will continue at 18 00, in the 10th plenary meeting.

4. Address by His Excellency Anote Tong, President, Head of Government and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kiribati
5. Address by His Excellency Bronisław Komorowski, President of the Republic of Poland
6. Address by His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland
7. Address by His Excellency Mikheil Saakashvili, President of Georgia
8. Address by His Excellency Carlos Mauricio Funes Cartagena, President of the Republic of El Salvador
9. Address by His Excellency Emanuel Mori, President and Head of Government of the Federated States of Micronesia
10. Address by His Excellency Tommy Esang Remengesau, President of the Republic of Palau
11. Address by His Excellency Ikililou Dhoinine, President of the Union of the Comoros
12. Address by His Excellency Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
13. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Address by His Excellency Ali Zeidan, Prime Minister of Libya

    Address by His Excellency Mariano Rajoy Brey, President of the Government of the Kingdom of Spain

    Address by Her Excellency Kamla Persad-Bissessar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

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Special event in 2013 to follow-up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals[1]

Opening

09:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Round table 1[2]

10:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Round table 2[2]

10:30 Conference Room 2 (CB)

Round table 3[2]

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

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[1]The special event, organized by the President of the General Assembly, is held in accordance with Assembly resolution 65/1 of 22 September 2010. For the updated programme of the Special event, please *click here*. For further information on the round table discussions, kindly contact the respective secretaries as follows: *Round table 1*: Ms. Emer Herity (herity@un.org), *Round table 2*: Ms. Christa Giles (giles@un.org), *Round table 3*: Mr. Otto Gustafik (gustafik@un.org); and *Round table 4*: Ms. Radhika Ochalik (ochalik@un.org).

[2]The four round table discussions will focus on the overall theme of the Special Event.

Round table 4[1]

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Closing

18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1]The four round table discussions will focus on the overall theme of the Special Event.

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

In accordance with resolution 67/39, the High-level Meeting on Nuclear Disarmament will be held on Thursday, 26 September. In accordance with resolution 67/219, the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development will be held on Thursday, 3, and Friday, 4 October. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/300, the sixth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on Monday, 7, and Tuesday, 8 October 2013.

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 13 February 2013 in document A/68/50*. The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 15 June 2013 in document A/68/100. The provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly was issued on 19 July 2013 in document A/68/150.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the high-level meetings and the general debate is contained in document A/INF/68/4/Rev/1.

The draft programme of the work of the plenary for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/922, Section II.

The book of resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly during its sixty-seventh session from 18 September to 24 December 2012 was issued on 11 July and 5 September 2013 and in documents A/67/49 (Vol. I) and A/67/49 (Vol. II).

Seating protocol for the sixty-eighth session

On Friday, 14 June 2013, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Croatia to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-eighth session. Consequently, the delegation of Croatia will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on Nuclear Disarmament (26 September 2013)

Pursuant to its resolution 67/39, the General Assembly will hold a High-level Meeting on Nuclear Disarmament on Thursday, 26 September 2013. Information on the modalities of the meeting are included in the letter dated 9 July 2013, sent by the President of the General Assembly, and on the website of the meeting.

Please note that the list of speakers for the High-level substantive segments has been sent to delegations and is now closed. Should there be any questions please contact the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org). Statements in the high-level substantive segment should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. Delegates are also invited to submit their statements to the Department of Public Information for posting on the website of the High-level meeting (Mr. Vladislav Itkovski (e-mail vitkovsky@un.org); Ms. Elmira Tairova (e-mail tairova@un.org); and Ms. Natalia Kotsyuba (e-mail kotsyuba@un.org).

High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (3–4 October 2013)

The organizational arrangements are described in General Assembly resolution 67/219 of 21 December 2012. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 June, 17 July and 19 July 2013, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The list of speakers is now open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Thursday, 3, and Friday, 4 October 2013, from 9:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). Delegations wishing to inscribe are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Statements in the formal plenary meetings should not exceed *four minutes*.

The four consecutive round table discussions will be held from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, on Thursday, 3 October 2013, and from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 17:30, on Friday, 4 October. Members States are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org) in which round table discussion they wish to intervene. Interventions in the interactive round table discussions should not exceed *four minutes*.

Further information on the High-level Dialogue may be obtained in the note by the Secretary-General on the "Organization of the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development" (A/68/162).

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development (7-8 October 2013)

The organizational arrangements are described in General Assembly resolution 67/300 of 16 September 2013. Letters from the President of the General Assembly will be sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The list of speakers will open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Monday, 7 October, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, and on Tuesday, 8 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). Delegations wishing to inscribe are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Each oral statement should not exceed *five minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *seven minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

The three round table discussions will be held from 15:00 to 18:00, on Monday, 7 October 2013 (round table 1), and from 10:00 to 13:00, on Tuesday, 8 October (round tables 2 and 3). Member States are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org) in which round table discussion they wish to intervene. Interventions in the interactive round table discussions should not exceed *three minutes* each. An informal interactive dialogue will be held on Tuesday, 8 October, from 15:00 to 17:45. Each intervention in the interactive dialogue should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

The list of non-State participants in the round tables and the informal interactive dialogue will be established on a first-come, first-served basis. Representatives of these non-state entities wishing to participate in these meetings should inscribe with the Financing for Development Office (e-mail platz@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3664; room DC2-2156; fax 1 (212) 963-0443).

Further information on the High-level Dialogue may be obtained from the meeting website.

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be held from Monday, 30 September to Friday, 4 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Friday, 4 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB), to consider its provisional programme of work and timetable (to be issued as document A/C.1/68/CRP.1). A technical briefing by the Secretariat for delegates of the First Committee will be held in Conference Room 3 (CB), immediately following the adjournment of the organizational meeting.

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 7, to Wednesday, 16 October 2013. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room S-3058).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First

Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room S-3058; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; room S-3057).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 3 October 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/67/432/Rev.1. The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 7 October, at 15:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Requests of petitioners to address the Committee under item 60 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), should be sent to the Chair of the Committee (c/o e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; or fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *by close of business on Friday, 27 September 2013*.

Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers at https://4thcommittee.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org, indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Wednesday, 2 October 2013, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), to consider its proposed organization of work (to be issued as document A/C.2/68/L.1) and to consider the status of documentation for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly (to be issued as document A/C.2/68/L.1/Add.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the sixty-eighth session of the Assembly on Wednesday, 9 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

For information and documentation relating to the work of the Second Committee please *click here*.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; room S-1275; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

QuickPlace

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 7 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1 (CB). The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee will open on Monday, 30 September 2013. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; room S-1291)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the sixty-eighth session, please *click here*.

For inquiries regarding registration for Third Committee QuickPlace, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 3 October 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB), to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, issued as document A/C.5/68/1, and the proposed programme of work for the main part of the sixty-eighth session (to be issued). The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/68/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 7 October 2013, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work for the sixty-eighth session is available on the website of the Sixth Committee (http://www.un.org/ga/sixth/68/68_session.shtml).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378); fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that in the first week, the Committee will deal with item 110 Measures to eliminate international terrorism, item 85 (The rule of law at the national and international levels), and item 84 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Patcharee Kosalvitr (e-mail kosalvitr@un.org, room DC2-0569, fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/68/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

In order to obtain the password to access the e-room of the Sixth Committee, delegations are kindly requested to contact Ms. Florian Cabuyao (e-mail cabuyao@un.org).

For the purposes of the establishment of the e-mail contact list of the representatives of the Sixth Committee, you may send an e-mail with the subject "Sixth Committee contact list" to the following e-mail address: 6thcommittee@un.org. Please be advised that the contact list will be made available to all representatives on that list.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law
Forty-eighth session

The forty-eighth session of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law will hold a closed meeting on Tuesday, 8 October 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

The membership of the Committee is as follows: Argentina, Canada, Chile, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sudan, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
High-level Meeeting

The Peacebuilding Commission will hold its High-level Meeting on Women's economic empowerment for peacebuilding on Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00 in Conference Room 1 (CB). All members of the Peacebuilding Commission configurations are invited to attend. Special event passes will be required to enter Conference Room 1 (CB). Invited members are kindly required to collect their respective passes, allocated according to predetermined arrangements, from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, at the Office of the Secretary of the Peacebuilding Commission (c/o Mr. Martin Vrastiak, room S-3062). For further information on the high-level event, please contact Mr. Paolo Fontana, Peacebuilding Support Office (e-mail fontana@un.org).

Delegations are kindly invited to strictly limit their statements to no more than *three minutes*.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The provisional agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/150. The meetings under this header are closed.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects" (under agenda item 103 of the provisional agenda) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Friday, 4 October 2013 from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A (CB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Community of Democracies: Tenth meeting of the Governing Council (High-level segment)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (meeting of National Coordinators)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00 in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00 in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC Committee on Mali (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

OIC (annual coordination meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs) (at the ministerial level)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Commonwealth: Twelfth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Group of 77 (Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Group of Friends of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) (at the ministerial level)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 16:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

Group of Friends of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (at the ministerial level)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

Eastern European Group (at the expert level) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 September 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (Twelfth Annual Ministerial Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 30 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Launch of the *Resource Guide on Nuclear Disarmament for Religious Leaders and Communities* (by the President of the Republic of Costa Rica) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica, in collaboration with Religions for Peace)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. María Cerro, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mariaccerro@gmail.com); and Ms. Deepika Singh, Religions for Peace (e-mail dsingh@religionsforpeace.org).]

Special event on "Delivering on the global education promise" (on the occasion of the one-year anniversary of the Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (GEFI)) (co-organized by the Global Education First Initiative's Secretariat and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, UNESCO (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org).]

High-level panel discussion on "Vienna+20: Human rights achievements, shortcomings and the way forward" (with the President of the Republic of Austria and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Austria and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights) (OHCHR)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nadia Kalb, Permanent Mission of Austria (e-mail nadia.kalb@bmeia.gv.at; tel. 1 (917) 542-8400, ext. 8434); or Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).]

Special event on "Too Young to Wed: Empowering Girls as Leaders of Tomorrow" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada, Ghana and the Netherlands, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), in collaboration with Plan International)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 15:30 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please send an e-mail to nyv-rsvp@minbuza.nl. For further information, please contact Ms. Vera Kuipers, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail vera.kuipers@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9711).]

High-level event on "Poaching and Illicit Wildlife Trafficking" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon and Germany)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jan Kantorczyk (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0448).]

High-level event on "The World Humanitarian Summit: Partnerships in the changing humanitarian landscape" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:15, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[A keynote address will be delivered by the Secretary-General. The briefing is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Margarette Pradel, OCHA (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217).]

Panel discussion on "Sustainable development goals: Nature at the heart of sustainable socio economic development" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of France and the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (ICUN))

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cyriaque Sendashonga, ICUN (e-mail cyriaque.sendashonga@iucn.org; tel. 1 (212) 346-1162).]

Special event on "How can the High-level Meeting contribute to progress in Nuclear Disarmament?" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia, the Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) and the Friedrich-Edbert-Stiftung New York Office)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Fikry Cassidy or Mr. Adi Primasto, Permanent Mission of Indonesia (e-mails f_cassidy@y...ail.com or aprimasto@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (212) 972-8333); or *click here.*]

Thematic presentation on "Lessons learned from Hiroshima and Nagasaki: Working towards nuclear-weapons-free regions across the globe" (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador, in collaboration with Peace Boat)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Hugo Angulo, Permanent Mission of El Salvador (e-mails haangulo@rree.gob.sv or emilie@peaceboat-us.org; tel. 1 (212) 679-1616).]

Panel discussion on "Enhancing accountability for sexual violence in conflict" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Estonia)

Thursday, 26 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Victoria Chisholm, Permanent Mission of Estonia (e-mail victoria.chisholm@mfa.ee; tel. 1 (646) 514-0086).]

High-level panel discussion on "A call to ratify the Kampala amendments on the crime of aggression" (with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Botswana, Estonia, Liechtenstein and Trinidad and Tobago) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Friday, 27 September 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jörn Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail joern.eiermann@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 227).]

Briefing on "Building the resilience and capacity of African countries, regional and sub-regional institutions to pre-empt, and respond to humanitarian crises and disasters" (by the African regional economic communities) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Tuesday, 1 October 2013, from 9:30 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[The Deputy Secretary-General will open the briefing. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Kimani, OSAA (e-mail kimanim@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2838).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Non-Violence (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

Wednesday, 2 October 2013, from 11:15 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of India (e-mail eventspminy@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 490-9660, ext. 316).]

High-level discussion on the theme "Resilient Design for Sustainable Urbanization" (on the occasion of World Habitat Day) (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in collaboration with the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, the Center for Resilient Design at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter)

Friday, 4 October 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the UN-Habitat New York Office (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200; room DC2-0943); or *click here*.]

Briefing on the release of the International Telecommunication Union's annual report *Measuring the Information Society 2013* (organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU))

Monday, 7 October 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office (e-mail london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2013/239 of 23 July 2013, the ninth session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 21, to Friday, 25 October 2013, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the Financing for Development Website (*click here*). For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Press kit for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is for the first time paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*), or via the PaperSmart portal (*click here*).

Live webcast of the general debate of the General Assembly (24–27 September and 30 September–1 October 2013)

The general debate of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live (in all United Nations official languages) and on-demand (English and Original language) over the Internet, from *today*, 24 September, to Tuesday, 1 October 2013. It will be accessible through the United Nations Web TV website at http://webtv.un.org.

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the General Assembly Website. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142, in English (unless otherwise indicated),

on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

General Assembly documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 26 September 2013;

Thursday, 10 October 2013;

Monday, 14 October 2013 *(French)*; and

Friday, 18 October 2013 *(Spanish)*.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 3 October 2013;

Monday, 7 October 2013 *(French)*; and

Friday, 11 October 2013 *(Spanish)*.

Introduction to subscription databases and resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 15 October 2013.

Introduction to United Nations budget documents (from 15:00 to 17:00)

Thursday, 17 October 2013;

Friday, 8 November 2013;

Friday, 22 November 2013; and

Wednesday, 4 December 2013.

Country and map resources for the United Nations community (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 22 October 2013.

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 24 October 2013.

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held on Friday, 27 September 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

Credentials (ratifying States only)

Ratifying States are reminded that credentials should be issued for their representatives and the name of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (CTBT-Art.XIV.2013/1). The credentials should be submitted to Mr. Valere Mantels, Conference Secretariat, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) (e-mail mantels@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9254; room DN-3132).

Composition of delegations (signatory and other States, intergovernmental organizations)

Signatory and other States, as well as specialized agencies, related organizations and intergovernmental organizations attending the Conference, are requested to send the composition of their delegations to the Conference Secretariat, as soon as possible. To facilitate the preparation of the list of participants, electronic copies of the composition of delegations (Microsoft Word format only) should be sent by email to tan1@un.org.

List of speakers

The provisional list of speakers for the general exchange of views by ratifying States and signatories is open. For inquiries, please contact Mr. Hong Tan, Office for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room S-3135; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Access cards

With reference to paragraph 10 of document CTBT-Art.XIV/2013/INF.1, entitled "Information for participants at the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty", all delegates are reminded that security regulations in force require each and every participant in the Conference be registered and have a valid grounds pass plus a colour-coded access card. Packages including access cards for Member States prepared by the Protocol and Liaison Services are ready for collection at Room S-0201.

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The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 3, to Friday, 28 November 2014. This course is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also Members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati).

The three Regional Courses will be conducted in English in 2014. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 23 September 2013

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

[archive video]

3rd plenary meeting — *Social development: Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development*

Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities: draft resolution (A/68/L.1) [item 27 (b)]

The President declared open the High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

In accordance with resolution 66/124, statements were made by Ms. María Soledad Cisternas Reyes, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Mr. Yannis Vardakastanis, President of the European Disability Forum; and Mr. Stevie Wonder, Grammy Award winning songwriter and musician and United Nations Messenger for Peace.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/68/L.1 (resolution 68/3).

4th plenary meeting

Social development: Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities [item 27(b)]

The General Assembly continued its High-level meeting on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities.

Statements were made by His Excellency Arsenio Balisacan, Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning of the Philippines and Co-Chair of round table 1; and Her Excellency Heidi Hautala, Minister of International Development of Finland and Co-Chair of round table 2.

The Deputy Secretary-General made a statement.

The President declared concluded the High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 27.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Objection to the reservation made by the Lao People's Democratic Republic upon ratification: Austria (23 September 2013)

Objection to the reservation made by the Lao People's Democratic Republic upon ratification: Greece (23 September 2013)

Objection to the reservation made by the Lao People's Democratic Republic upon ratification: Sweden (23 September 2013)

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Accession to Amendments to Annexes A, B and C of the Convention: Guatemala (23 September 2013)

2013 Treaty Event

The 2013 Treaty Event will be held from 24 to 26 and 30 September to 1 October 2013, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, coinciding with the opening of the general debate of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly.

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Minamata Convention on Mercury

Opening for signature

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above Convention is scheduled to be adopted on Thursday, 10 October 2013, at Kumamoto (Japan) on the occasion of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Minamata Convention on Mercury to be held from 7 to 11 October 2013.

Accordingly, pursuant to its article 29, the Minamata Convention on Mercury would be opened for signature by States and regional economic integration organizations at Kumamoto, Japan, on 10 and 11 October 2013, and thereafter at the United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 October 2014.

Certified True Copies of the Convention, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Spanish and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States and regional economic integration organizations wishing to sign the Convention on 10 and 11 October could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York (Fax No. (212) 963-3693). Originals of full powers shall be submitted at the signing ceremony in the course of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries.

States and regional economic integration organizations wishing to sign the Convention thereafter are invited to do so at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The required full powers should in this case be submitted to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs.

For more information on full powers, please *click here* to refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection website.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
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His Excellency Araya Desta

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China
His Excellency Liu Jieyi

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
His Excellency Vitaly Churkin

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Argentina
Her Excellency María Cristina Perceval

Western European and other States:
Italy
His Excellency Cesare Maria Ragaglini

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